- re-litigating it yet she's going on and asking the witness
- 2 questions fall right in that category.
- MS. LANCASTER: Your Honor, if I might respond,
- 4 this witness just testified not two minutes ago that, you
- 5 know, they were concerned when they got this new counsel
- 6 they were doing all these other things, and he's testified
- 7 about it. Consequently, I'm trying to find out, well, how
- 8 long they had to report it.
- 9 JUDGE STEINBERG: I do not understand the
- 10 explanation of the question, but this goes to the sentence
- 11 about the voluntarily reporting it?
- MS. LANCASTER: Yes, sir. Well it goes to
- JUDGE STEINBERG: Well, what does --
- MS. LANCASTER: -- it just goes to his -- I'm
- asking for clarification on what he just testified to.
- 16 JUDGE STEINBERG: Well, I forgot what the last
- 17 testimony was. Why don't you refresh my memory because I
- 18 didn't -- Hopkins & Sutter were retained in mid to late
- 19 1989.
- 20 MS. LANCASTER: Right.
- JUDGE STEINBERG: That's the last thing that I
- 22 remember.
- MS. LANCASTER: Just prior to that, Your Honor, he
- 24 testified that --
- 25 JUDGE STFINBERG: That after they took control --

- 1 MS. LANCASTER: That Hopkins & Sutter came and 2 that they were handling all these other things, the risk sharing agreement, etcetera, and they didn't get around to 3 the alien issue until later. So I want to know when they 4 were hired, why it took so long for them to file it. That's 5 6 my only -- I'm just following up on what he testified to. 7 JUDGE STEINBERG: It seems -- well, --MS. LANCASTER: When they were hired --8 JUDGE STEINBERG: Do not go terribly far with 9 this, please. 10 MS. LANCASTER: I'm not. I just had this one 11 12 question. JUDGE STEINBERG: Do you understand the question? 13 THE WITNESS: If she could repeat it again, 14 15 please.
- 16 JUDGE STEINBERG: Basically, Hopkins & Sutter was hired in mid to the end of 1989, and then how long was it 17 after they were hired before they voluntarily --18 MS. LANCASTER: Right.
- JUDGE STEINBERG: -- voluntary disclosure was 20 21 made?

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- MS, LANCASTER: Right. That's my question. 2.2
- JUDGE STEINBERG: well, can't you just pull that 23
- 24 out of the Algreq case, the date of the amendment?
- MS. LANCASTER 25 I know the date of the amendment,

- 1 I don't know when Hopkins & Sutter were hired.
- JUDGE STEINBERG: Well, he just said in 1989.
- 3 MS. LANCASTER: He said mid to end 1989. That
- 4 could be six months, that could be four months, that could
- 5 be, you know.
- JUDGE STEINBERG: Well, but that is not what you
- 7 asked him. Why don't you go back and start again as to when
- 8 Hopkins & Sutter was retained to see if mid to end of 1989,
- 9 I guess, could be July through December.
- 10 BY MS. LANCASTER:
- 11 Q My question is how long after Hopkins & Sutter was
- 12 retained did Alee report -- how long was it before Alee
- 13 reported the alien partner to the FCC.
- 14 A I don't know.
- 15 Q If you know. If you don't know, you don't know.
- 16 A I don't know.
- 17 Q As a member of the executive committee, you're
- 18 paid for the work that you do on behalf of Alee, is that
- 19 correct?
- 20 A Yes
- 21 Q How much are you paid?
- 22 **A** \$175 an hour.
- 23 Q When did you start getting paid for that work?
- A This must have been sometime in 1999 because prior
- to then we didn't have any income, any revenue.

- Q Prior to 1995 the partnership had no revenue, no
- 2 income?
- 3 A Well, no net revenue. All the revenue that we
- 4 were receiving for the first eight years of our operation
- 5 went to pay off the construction costs of the different
- 6 sites.
- We were making just the opposite, capital calls.
- 8 We had to put in additional investments up until, I believe
- 9 it was, 1999 when we had managed to pay off all of the
- 10 construction costs and then we started to receive the
- 11 proceeds of the revenue.
- There was revenue coming, but it was being paid to
- 13 Metro Mobile and to Bell Atlantic for the construction cost
- of the sites up until that time.
- 15 Q When did you receive your first distribution
- 16 check?
- 17 A I bel eve it was in 1999.
- 18 O First quarter, third quarter, when?
- 19 A I don t recall.
- 20 Q Okay.
- 21 A I know we had had -- there was a meeting at the
- 22 Hilton Hotel in Short Hills. It was sort of like a
- celebration, and we had -- it was catered, but I can't
- 24 remember when it was.
- Q When you first started getting paid for work that

- 1 you were doing for Alee, it is my understanding that you got
- 2 an initial payment that was supposed to cover the past work
- 3 that you had done. Is that correct?
- 4 A Yes. Yes, that's correct.
- 5 O How far back was it supposed to have covered?
- 6 A I think it was -- I know that there had been a
- 7 vote that if and when we got money that the people working
- 8 on the executive committee would be reimbursed. I don't
- 9 remember when that vote -- whether it went back to the
- initial work of the executive committee or sometime later,
- 11 but it was going early in time.
- 12 Q Now, I may have misunderstood you. Did you say
- you started getting paid in 1999 or in 1989?
- 14 A Are we talking about distributions from Alee, 1999
- is what I had said.
- 16 Q Okay.
- MS. LANCASTER: One second, Your Honor.
- 18 JUDGE STEINBERG: The distributions were separate
- 19 from the \$175 per hour?
- 20 THE WITNESS: Yes. The distribution was -- in
- 21 other words, all of the partners got a distribution of the
- 22 revenue that had been collected, and this was the first time
- that a distribution had been made that we had revenue to
- distribute, and I believe that that's when it was.
- 25 MS. LANCASTER: I would like to have identified,

- and I don't have sufficient copies at this point, Your
- 2 Honor. I'm not going to ask that it be entered yet until we
- 3 have copies, but for identification purposes, I have a copy
- 4 of a memo from Becky Jo Clark that is dated December 20,
- 5 1990, and indicates it's minutes for conference calls from
- 6 11/14/90 to 12/18/90.
- 7 I specifically want to bring to the witness'
- 8 attention page 3 of this four-page document. I'll be happy
- 9 to show it to opposing counsel.
- 10 JUDGE STEINBERG: So it is four pages?
- MS. LANCASTER: Yes, Sir.
- 12 JUDGE STEINBERG: A memo from Ms. Clark dated
- 13 12/20/90.
- MS. LANCASTER: Correct.
- 15 JUDGE STEINBERG: It will be marked for
- identification as Enforcement Bureau Exhibit 28.
- 17 (The document referred to was
- marked for identification as
- 19 EB Exhibit No. 28.)
- MS. LANCASTER: We will make copies and distribute
- 21 it should we decide to enter it, Your Honor, but I'm going
- to ask him about page 3 of that document.
- MR. HILL: Even if you don't decide to enter it,
- if you marked it, please give us a copy.
- BY MS. LANCASTER:

- 1 Q I would ask that you take a look at that, Mr.
- 2 Bernstein.
- JUDGE STEINBERG: If you want to look at more than
- 4 page 3, you are welcome to.
- 5 MS. LANCASTER: Certainly.
- 6 THE WITNESS: Yes.
- 7 BY MS. LANCASTER:
- 8 Q Are you familiar with that document?
- 9 A I recognize it now.
- 10 Q What is it?
- 11 A This was that vote that I had just spoken about
- that the partnership had voted to pay us these monies, as I
- said, starting early, it's January 1 of 1991.
- 14 Q That's why I asked you, I thought you said you
- 15 didn't actually get paid until 1999.
- 16 A Well, I didn't get paid. In other words, the only
- 17 person who got paid before 1999 was Becky Jo Clark as I
- 18 understand it. But we got a check in 1999, a separate
- 19 check, back to go from 1991 forward for the work that we had
- done, we being Terry Jones and myself. But we hadn't
- 21 received it back in 1991 or 1992.
- 22 MS. LANCASTER: I've got another document. Again,
- 23 I don't have copies yet, Your Honor. It's a two page
- 24 document appearing to be a memorandum from Becky Jo Clark
- 25 dated February 7, 1991.

- JUDGE STEINBERG: I'll tell you whose birthday
- that is, but I'll do it off the record.
- 3 MS. LANCASTER: And I tentatively marked it as EB
- 4 Exhibit 29.
- 5 JUDGE STEINBERG: Okay, the document described
- 6 will be marked as EB Exhibit 29.
- 7 (The document referred to was
- 8 marked for identification as
- 9 EB Exhibit No. 29.)
- 10 MS. LANCASTER: I'm showing it to opposing
- 11 counsel, and I'm showing it to the witness.
- BY MS. LANCASTER:
- 13 Q If you will have a look at that, Mr. Bernstein.
- 14 A (Reviewing document.)
- 15 Q Have you seen that document before?
- 16 A I believe that I have.
- 17 Q What is it?
- 18 A It seems to be very similar to -- it's a
- 19 memorandum of, it looks like, what was discussed previously,
- 20 and it talks about the treasurer having deferred
- compensation and each of the two members at large having
- 22 deferring compensation and as cash flow becomes available
- 23 how it was supposed to be paid.
- Q Does it also indicate what the initial payments
- were for the task work?

- 1 A It says, number one, "the executive committee be
- 2 reimbursed \$38,400 for the past two years."
- 3 Q Was that the total to be divided among the three
- 4 of you or was that \$38,000 each?
- 5 A I think it was between the three of us, but I
- 6 never got \$38,400 in 1991, '92, '93, so --
- 7 Q How much did you get?
- 8 A I got nothing until approximately 1999.
- 9 Q How much was your first payment that you got?
- 10 A I think that the check was close to that amount
- when I got it in 1999. In other words, we went through the
- nine years that we had been working and the \$400 a month for
- those nine years, and it came up to be a sizable sum.
- 14 JUDGE STEINBERG: When you said close to that
- amount, what amount were you referring to?
- THE WITNESS: It says here \$38,400.
- 17 JUDGE STEINBERG: So you think that the check that
- 18 you got in 1999 for the work you did from 1991 through 1999
- 19 was about \$38,000.
- 20 THE WITNESS: It might have been somewhere around
- there, Your Honor.
- 22 BY MS. LANCASTER:
- 23 Generally at this point, how many hours a week or
- 24 a month, however you want to calculate it, do you work for
- 25 Alee?

- A I'm trying to think. I would say it's less than
- 2 100 hours a month. There's less work on it now then it was
- 3 back then.
- 4 Q What's the most that you've done in a month would
- 5 you estimate?
- 6 A I really -- I really couldn't estimate. I mean,
- 7 I'm trying to think in terms of amount.
- 8 Q Let me rephrase the question. Let me change the
- 9 question a little bit then.
- JUDGE STEINBERG: Can I just stop you, please.
- MS. LANCASTER: Uh-huh.
- JUDGE STEINBERG: You say you now work for Alee, I
- mean, you spend time on Alee business, less than 100 hours a
- 14 month?
- 15 THE WITNESS: Yes.
- 16 JUDGE STEINBERG: Now, one hour is less than 100
- 17 I mean, less than 100 is a pretty big range.
- 18 THE WITNESS: Oh.
- 19 MS. LANCASTER: I was going to ask that, Your
- 20 Honor.
- JUDGE STEINBERG: Well, you didn't do it fast
- 22 enough. You know, I mean, if it's 99 hours a month, that's
- 23 25 hours a week, that's three billable days which most
- 24 attorneys do in one day, but -- that was a joke. I got no
- laughter -- but that seems to me to be a lot of time to

spend 25 hours a week on Alee business. So I wondered if

- you could be more precise.
- THE WITNESS: I'm just trying to think of my
- 4 billing, and Alee is not billed every month because in some
- 5 months there's just a few hours and in other months there's
- 6 more. But I've gotten checks for like two and-a-half months
- 7 or three months there's \$3,000.
- I can't think of specifically the number of hours
- 9 that I worked, but it's been much less now than it was when
- 10 we were initially in the litigation. Alee is not a sizable
- 11 client.
- 12 BY MS. LANCASTER:
- 13 Q Since you've been paid on an hourly basis, which I
- 14 believe you stated started in 1999, you started getting paid
- on an hourly basis, is that correct?
- 16 A Yes. Yes.
- 17 Q Do you also get any type of retainer amount?
- 18 A No.
- 19 Q What is the largest check that you have received
- 20 from Alee in any one month, the largest payment for a
- 21 month's work?
- 22 A I'm having trouble with that because, as I said,
- they haven't been billed monthly.
- Q How are they billed?
- 25 A Every couple of months I would total what my time

- was and I would send them a bill.
- 2 Q So every two months that you generally are billing
- 3 them?
- 4 A It could be three months. It could be longer
- because there are times when -- when I was doing the leases,
- there was a lot of time put in to it. Other times, there is
- 7 not.
- 8 Q When you were doing the leases, you were not
- 9 getting paid on an hourly basis, were you?
- 10 A Yes, I was.
- 11 Q When did you do the leases?
- 12 A It was the Voice Stream and the Alamosa were in
- 13 2000, somewhere around there.
- 14 O So it would have been a couple of times that you
- have done leases since 1999?
- 16 A There have been at least three leases that I
- 17 worked on. Two were with Voice Stream and one was with an
- 18 Alamosa Properties, and I think -- yeah, those -- that's
- 19 what I can remember. That's what I can focus on.
- 20 Q So is it your testimony that you're unable to give
- 21 us any idea of what your monthly income has been from work
- that you've done for Alee?
- 23 A Yes.
- 24 Q Yes?
- 25 A Yes.

- 1 Q All right. What was your total initial investment
- 2 into the partnership?
- 3 A \$8,500.00.
- 4 Q And what was your total investment in the
- 5 partnership? I take that back. What was your total
- 6 investment into capital calls?
- 7 A I knew what you were referring to, the capital
- 8 calls, and I don't know the total. There are 14 capital
- 9 calls, and they -- my average ranged from \$3,300 to \$5,500
- on the capital calls. Even the very first one was like
- \$200.00, and then after that, they jumped up substantially.
- 12 We were in the litigation. We had to raise money.
- 13 Q Do you have any idea what your total amount was?
- 14 A No, I don't.
- 15 0 What has been your total return on your
- 16 investment?
- 17 A It's been a sizable return. In 1999, I think I
- 18 got somewhere around \$100,000, and that was before taxes.
- 19 About 80 percent of that went to taxes. Again --
- JUDGE STEINBERG: What percent?
- 21 THE WITNESS: Close to 80 percent. I learned
- 22 something new called phantom income that I never knew
- before. Terry warned us when he made the initial
- distributions that better not spend it, you're going to be
- 25 paying nevertheless a sizable distribution. And after that,

- 1 it was about \$200,000 in 2000, and \$200,000 in 2001, again,
- with similar tax consequences. And I've also received
- income about \$150,000 this year.
- 4 BY MS. LANCASTER:
- 5 Q Do you expect to receive additional income this
- 6 year, though, don't you?
- 7 A Depending upon when the distribution -- usually
- 8 there's a distribution in the fourth quarter. Generally
- 9 we're sent them before we have to make the tax payments, so
- 10 I might get it this year or I might get it just before
- January 15 because that's when we would have to send in the
- 12 estimated tax payments.
- Q Okay. What's your understanding of an
- 14 unauthorized transfer of control?
- 15 A An unauthorized transfer of control?
- 16 Q Have you ever heard that phrase?
- 17 A I have heard the phrase, yes.
- 18 0 What is it?
- 19 A I would be guessing but that transfer of control
- of a license or the running of a license with the FCC.
- 21 Q Why would you be quessing? I don't want you to
- 22 guess.
- A Well, because I haven't read it and this is
- through discussions and so on that this is what I'm assuming
- is the meaning. Firstly, I'm assuming you're talking about

- 1 the FCC.
- 2 O Correct.
- 3 A Okay.
- 4 Q Did you go over what it takes to have an
- 5 unauthorized transfer of control in preparation for your
- 6 testimony?
- 7 MR. HILL: I objection, Your Honor, to the extent
- 8 that it goes into the advice that counsel may have given.
- 9 JUDGE STEINBERG: How about attorney-client
- 10 privilege?
- 11 MR. HILL: Attorney-client privilege. That will
- 12 do it.
- 13 JUDGE STEINBERG: It's sustained.
- 14 BY MS. LANCASTER:
- Outside of attorney-client privilege, did you go
- 16 over it?
- 17 MR. HILL: Objection, Your Honor.
- 18 JUDGE STEINBERG: Well, why don't you say have you
- 19 had discussions about unauthorized transfer of control with
- 20 other members of the executive committee or the partners?
- 21 BY MS. LANCASTER:
- 22 Q Okay. I'll adopt that question.
- A I had discussions about keys. You had asked me at
- 24 a deposition several questions, and I haven't had
- 25 discussions about unauthorized -- or at least I haven't

- thought of it in those terms, but I have asked Becky Jo and
- 2 Terry Jones when they'd gone out there subsequent to my
- deposition have they ever had any problem gaining access to
- 4 the premises, were the premises locked, which I was unaware
- of at the time of the deposition.
- 6 Q What was their response?
- 7 A That they've never had any problem gaining access
- 8 to the premises.
- 9 Q Did they tell you how they gained access to the
- 10 premises?
- 11 A Terry told me that Altell has the keys, and I
- asked him what if they refuse to give you the keys, and he
- said we'll fire their butts. It's our property.
- 14 Q How about the term "unfettered control." Have you
- 15 ever heard that phrase?
- 16 A I've seen in the management agreement unfettered
- use and control, I think is the phrase in the management
- 18 agreement with Metro Mobile.
- 19 Q Who drafted that management agreement?
- 20 A Metro Mobile.
- Q Did you have any discussion with Mr. Jones wherein
- that phrase was used?
- A No. I don't understand what you mean.
- 24 Q Have you ever used that phrase when talking with
- 25 Mr. Jones?

- A I know that ~- yes. When, after the depositions,
- 2 that we had discussed access and unfettered -- yes, that
- 3 term has been bandied about.
- 4 Q The term was brought up because -- why was that
- 5 term used?
- 6 A Well, after the deposition -- you had asked me a
- 7 series of guestions most of which I didn't have much
- 8 knowledge, and I was curious as to where that was going,
- 9 what that related to. Then I learned that that related to
- 10 control of the license, of the operations, and I spoke with
- 11 Terry. I spoke with Becky Jo about that.
- 12 Q It's my understanding that if Alee wants access to
- its cell sites, that it contacts Altell and that Altell
- 14 sends someone with a key and accompanies them and unlocks
- the gates, or whatever, the buildings, or whatever it is and
- makes sure that they have access to the cell site, is that
- 17 correct?
- 18 A I've never been out there and experienced this,
- 19 but I know that Terry and Becky Jo said that they go and
- they get the keys from Altell, and they go to the site. And
- 21 they told me that they visited it with people from Altell.
- 22 Q Right. Altell accompanies them to the site, is
- that your understanding of the way it happened when they
- 24 went out there?
- A I know of one instance where they told me they

- were being driven around. They wanted to see different
- 2 sites and someone from Altell drove them to these different
- 3 sites.
- 4 Q Alee has no employees, is that correct?
- 5 A Yes, that's correct.
- 6 Q Alee relies completely upon the employees of
- 7 Altell at this point to operate the New Mexico 3 license, is
- 8 that correct?
- 9 A It's Altell's employees that are working, yes.
- 10 Q Altell bills the customers?
- 11 A Yes.
- Q Well, Alee has no customers of its own, does it?
- 13 A No, it doesn't.
- 14 Q Alee services roamers, is that correct?
- 15 A Yes.
- 16 O But Altell sends out any billing notices to
- whomever they're supposed to go to, is that correct?
- 18 A Yes.
- 19 Q Altell collects any funds that are received for
- the use of Alee licenses, is that correct?
- 21 A Yes.
- 23 A Yes.
- 24 Q Altell pays all of the operating expenses for Alee
- licenses, is that correct?

- 1 A Well, we ultimately pay it, but they pay it
- initially from the revenue that's received.
- 3 Q They collect the money that comes in and they pay
- 4 all the bills with that money.
- 5 A Yes.
- 6 Q Before Alee has any contact with those funds,
- 7 would that be a correct assessment?
- 8 A Yes, that's correct.
- 9 Q If there's any maintenance that's needed on the
- 10 equipment used on Alee's license, Altell takes care of that,
- 11 is that correct'?
- 12 A Yes. That's all in the management, for that
- 13 agreement. Those are their duties.
- 14 Q It's my understanding that Alee receives periodic
- reports from Altell regarding the finances, the monies that
- they've collected and the distributions. Would that be a
- 17 correct statement?
- 18 A Yes. We get minutes of use, the finances, yes.
- 19 Q Who receives those reports?
- 20 A Terry Jones does.
- 21 Q Do you receive copies of them?
- 22 A He usually sends out -- I don't know if it's
- copies of everything, but in every partnership meeting he
- 24 still submits a financial statement to us.
- 25 O Who is the contact person for Altell that Alee

- would contact if they had a question about the New Mexico 3
- 2 operations?
- 3 A Well, you had asked me a similar question. I have
- 4 since learned that -- Scott Caldwell (phonetic). I haven't
- 5 had direct dealings with Scott Caldwell, but I asked Terry
- 6 as a result of our deposition.
- 7 Q Okay. You didn't know at the time of the
- 8 deposition, is that right?
- 9 A I recognized the name, but I didn't know. No, I
- 10 didn't.
- 11 Q Have you had occasion to contact Altell?
- 12 A Yes. There's been a few occasions, yes.
- Q When were they?
- 14 A I think it was about -- one I can remember was
- about a year and-a-half ago when Mr. Freda -- we were --
- 16 there was some interpretation of the management agreement
- 17 which I was discussing with them and Terry. I had spoken
- 18 with Terry. I had spoken with Becky Jo, and Terry asked me
- 19 to speak with them.
- Q When you say it was an interpretation of the
- 21 management agreement. It had to do with who was going to
- 22 pay what? Is that basically what the topic was?
- 23 A This management agreement has been in existence
- since 1990. When Altell took over, they started adding
- different expenses, allocations of administrative cost which

- 1 neither Metro Mobile or Bell Atlantic had, so that's what it
- 2 was about.
- MS. LANCASTER: I just want to make sure, Your
- 4 Honor, that EB Exhibit 16 has been received. Has it?
- 5 Otherwise I will try to get it in now.
- 6 JUDGE STEINBERG: Sixteen has been received
- 7 MS. LANCASTER: Okay. Thank you.
- BY MS. LANCASTER:
- 9 Q How did you know to contact Mr. Freda?
- 10 A Terry Jones gave me his name and address, and so
- 11 on.
- 12 Q Have you had any other contact with Altell?
- 13 A I believe that I have, but it was not, you know,
- 14 maybe two or three times other than that. Most of the
- 15 contact with Altell has been between Terry Jones and Altell.
- 16 0 Well, how did you know who to contact is my point?
- 17 When you have had contact, how did you know who to call?
- 18 A There might be a discussion with Becky Jo and with
- 19 Terry. There are names that come up, but I don't think it
- 20 was -- it wasn't Altell Russ Craig. There were other
- 21 names. They would -- it would be a specific matter that was
- in question. Maybe we might be on a conference call, the
- three of us, or something like that.
- 24 Q So you didn't initiate --
- 25 A No.

- 1 Q -- the contact with Altell?
- 2 A No.
- 3 Q Who 1S in charge of any changes that you might
- 4 want to make to your system? Does Altell contact you? When
- 5 I say you, I mean Alee obviously. Does Altell contact Alee
- and say we need to make a change about something or does
- 7 Alee initiate any change to the system?
- 8 A Well, a lot of times Altell has contacted us.
- 9 There have been discussions about the word is "digitizing"
- 10 the system, and they might want to do -- well, I know
- 11 specifically that they wanted to set up the digital system
- in the south, and we had discussed it and we said no. We
- 13 wanted it in Valencia county.
- 14 Valencia county was where most of our revenue came
- from, but there were a lot of calls that were being dropped
- in that area because of the analog system. So when we
- 17 decided to go digital -- and I don't know whether they
- 18 suggested it or whether we did. I know that we wanted to go
- 19 digital. That was the new way, and we had started that.
- 20 Q How did you know calls were being dropped?
- 21 A Terry explained this to me going over the -- there
- 22 was a report which Terry had gotten that as it was explained
- 23 to me that calls had been dropped or that people were
- 24 getting busy signals, and the system couldn't handle the
- volume of calls that were being made.

- Did he tell you where he learned that information?
- 2 A From Altell, from the discussions or reports
- 3 submitted by Altell.
- 4 Q Have you seen any of the reports that have come
- 5 from Altell other than the financial reports that Terry had
- 6 sent to you?
- 7 A I have seen the reports, and I don't recall
- 8 whether it was at a face-to-face meeting, a partnership
- 9 meeting, or whether Terry had sent them to me, but frankly
- 10 it was like Greek to me.
- 11 Q Well, had there been any reports other than
- 12 financial reports that you've seen that have come from
- 13 Altell?
- 14 A (No response.)
- 15 Q In other words, **it's** my understanding that Altell
- 16 periodically sends financial reports to Mr. Jones wherein
- they talk about they have the figures for how much income
- they've had and they perhaps list the expenses that they've
- 19 paid out, that sort of thing, you understand. You've seen
- 20 those kind of reports, right?
- 21 A Yes, but I don't -- there have been other reports,
- 22 and as I understand, like, the minutes of use is not dollar
- figures but just showing you how your system is doing, where
- are most of the calls going, what areas, what sites are
- getting what types of calls. And I think it's also

- 1 separated into digital and analog so that you see what is
- 2 the digital area doing and what is the analog area doing.
- Q Okay. So those are kind of production, you know,
- 4 where it's regulating or documenting the types of calls and
- 5 that sort of thing, is what you're saying.
- 6 A Yes.
- 7 O Any other kind of reports that you've gotten from
- 8 them?
- 9 A Not that I can think of. Not that I can recall.
- MS. LANCASTER: Your Honor, I'm perfectly willing
- to break if you would like to break, or I'll continue if you
- 12 want to continue.
- 13 JUDGE STEINBERG: Off the record, please.
- (Whereupon, a short recess was taken.)
- JUDGE STEINBERG: Back on the record.
- 16 BY MS. LANCASTER:
- 17 Q Mr. Bernstein, have you ever met Shafi Sharifan?
- 18 A I believe I have, yes.
- 20 A I think I met him at one of the early Alee
- 21 meetings, the partnership meetings.
- 22 Q Do you remember which one?
- 23 A No, but it had to be very early, the first or
- 24 second, something like that.
- 25 O So you were introduced to him, so you knew his

- name?
- 2 A I don't know that I was introduced to him, but as
- 3 I recall, he was dark skinned, very dark hair and
- 4 Mediterranean or dark features, so I must have had some
- 5 conversation or words with him. I don't know.
- 6 Q It was my understanding that at the first
- 7 partnership meeting was when the partners were first told
- 8 that there had been an alien problem. Is that correct?
- 9 A Yes.
- 10 Q The partnership was told that it had been taken
- 11 care of, is that correct?
- 12 A Yes.
- 13 Q They were told that by Allan Kane, is that who
- 14 told them?
- 15 A Allan Kane and William Franklin.
- 16 O Do you recall if Mr. Sharifan was at that meeting?
- 17 A I don't recall specifically, no.
- 18 Q Why did Mr. Sharifan continue to receive
- 19 partnership information after he was no longer a partner?
- 20 A I can only assume. I don't know why.
- JUDGE STEINBERG: I don't want you to assume,
- 22 please.
- BY MS. LANCASTER:
- Q Were you ever told why?
- 25 A I was told by Terry Jones that he was on the list